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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO**: Interested Parties

**FROM**: Wendy Brown, Policy Analyst

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**SUBJECT**: Notice of Intended Regulatory Action

Regulations for Respite and Emergency Care Admissions to Mental Retardation

Facilities—12VAC35-200-10 et seq.

In accordance with the Virginia Administrative Process Act, the State Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services Board has initiated the process to amend the above-referenced regulations. A Notice of Intended Regulatory Action (NOIRA) is scheduled for publication Virginia Register of Regulations on February 19, 2007. You may view the regulations and background statement on the Department's website at <a href="https://www.dmhmrsas.state.va.us">www.dmhmrsas.state.va.us</a> and on the Virginia Regulatory Townhall website at <a href="https://www.townhall.state.va.us">www.townhall.state.va.us</a>.

Please provide your written comments on the NOIRA by March 20, 2007 to:

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If you have any questions or would like to request a copy of the regulations, please contact Cynthia Smith at the above address or Wendy Brown via email <a href="wendy.brown@co.dmhmrsas.virginia.gov">wendy.brown@co.dmhmrsas.virginia.gov</a>. Thank you.

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